जानना चाहता हूं कि ये ड्रग्ज किन रास्तों और साधनों में भारत में आता है?

SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO: These complaints have been made and information has been given by the Home Secretary during the visits and meetings in Islamabad about which I have mentioned.

SHRI BIR BHADRA PRATAP SINGH: Are you taking up the specific problem of narcotic syndicate operating in Pakistan in the bilateral talks?

SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO: Our Drugs and Narcotic Department and the officials are working on this matter.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Question No. 188 — Hon. Member not here.

*188. [*The questioner (Shri Basudeb Mohapatra) was absent for answer*, vide *Col.* 43-44 infra.]

Talks between India and Pakistan to normalise relations

*189. SHRI F. M. KHAN: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) when the next round of talks for normalisation of relations with Pakistan are likely to be held;

(b) what will be the level and the venue of these talks; and

(c) what progress has been made so far for normalisation of relations and what constitutes the main impediment for a rapid improvement of our relations with Pakistan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) and (b) Indo-Pakistan Foreign Secretary level talks on the normalisation of relations are scheduled to be held in New Delhi at a mutually convenient date.

(c) In accordance with India's desire for cordial and good-neighbourly ties with Pakistan, it has maintained a constant dialogue with the latter on the normalisation process. In this context, it is notable that at the Home Secretary level talks in December 1986 Pakistan reiterated that it would not provide any support to terrorist activities directed against India and it was decided to set up a Committee to combat narcotics trafficking and smuggling and another to evolve fresh border ground rules. The former has already met and the latter is expected to meet soon.

The normalisation process has, however, been hampered by several negative actions on the part of Pakistan such as its aggressive pursuit of a weapons oriented nuclear programme, scramble for sophisticated weapons, etc.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Question Hour is over.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

Political asylum to illegal aliens by U.S.A.

*181. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the U.S. Supreme Court's recent ruling relaxing the criteria for granting political asylum to illegal aliens; and

(b) if so, whether Government have examined the implications involved in the context of the acceleration in the migration of people from the country who may take advantage of the ruling in seeking asylum in the USA and if so, the manner in which Government propose to deal with the issue?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI NARAYAN DATT TIWARI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir, It is too early to assess the possible implications of this ruling on Indian illegal aliens. Government will as far as possible, keep itself informed about the actual application of this ruling.

New scheme for checking industrial pollution

*185. SHRI SUBAS MOHANTY: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have finalised a new scheme to check industrial pollution; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI BHAJAN LAL): (a) and (b) No, Sir. However, the on-going programme of industrial pollution control has been intensified. It includes monitoring of air and water quality, laying down of standards and their enforcement.

Development of Similipal National Park in Orissa

*188. SHRI BASUDEB MOHAPATRA: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) what steps are being taken by Government for the development of Similipal National Park in Orissa;

(b) what is the number of tigers and other rare species in Similipal forest areas at present;

(c) what amount has been allocated in the current financial year for this project; and

(d) what amount has been allocated during the Seventh Five Year Plan for the project?

THE MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI BHAJAN LAL): (a) The Similipal National Park is one of the original nine areas selected as a Tiger Reserve under the Centrally Sponsored Plan Scheme Project Tiger, in 1973. Since then it has been receiving Central Assistance under the Project Tiger for the better conservation and development of this protected area.

(b) The number of tigers and other rare species in the Similipal Tiger Reserve, as per the 1986 enumeration, is as below:

Tiger	81
Elephant	375
Leopard	67
Indian Gaur	198
Chausingha	1200

(c) The proposed allocation by the Central Government for the Similipal Tiger Reserve in the current financial year, is Rs. 15.0 lakhs.

(d) The proposed allocation by the Government for the Similipal Tiger Reserve in the Seventh Five Year Plan is Rs. 64.43 lakhs.

Drug trafficking and smuggling of fire arms inside Tihar Jail

*190. SHRI RAM NARESH KUSHAWAHA:

SHRI SHARAD YADAV:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a number of Tihar Jail inmates have, in a memorandum to the Lt. Governor of Delhi, alleged free trading of drugs inside the jail and smuggling of fire arms and acid besides corruption among the jail officials;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;